



**VA Medical Center**  
**5th Floor**  
**West Tower (5D)**  
**6900 N Pecos Rd**  
**North Las Vegas, NV 89131**

## CHAPLAIN STAFF

### Protestant Chaplains:

**James A. McConnell, M. Div.**  
**(702) 791-9000 Ext. 15243**  
**Service Office: Rm 5D112**

**Howard C. Nelson, M. Div.**  
**(702) 791-9000 Ext. 15299**  
**Service Office: Rm 5D110**

### Catholic Chaplain:

**Fr. Joseph "Joe" Anthony, M. Div.**  
**(702) 791-9000 Ext. 15323**  
**Service Office: Rm 5D108**

## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

### Telehealth Counseling Services:

#### Hours on Wednesdays:

NW Clinic: 1:00 – 1:30 PM  
 NE Clinic: 12:30 – 1:00 PM  
 SE Clinic: 12:00 – 12:30/1:30 – 2:00 PM  
 SW Clinic: 11:30 AM – 12:00 PM  
 Pahrump Clinic: 11:00 – 11:30 AM  
 Laughlin Clinic: 1:30 – 2:00 PM

*Please request the appointment  
 through your primary care providers.*

### Protestant

#### Sunday-10am

5D West Tower Chapel, Rm 5D113

### Catholic Mass

#### Thursday, Friday, Sunday - 2pm

5D West Tower Chapel, Rm 5D113

### Office Hours

**Normal duty hours** are seven days a week from **7:30am to 4pm**, except on Federal holidays.



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## Chaplain Services



Adding the third  
 dimension of care:  
 Body, Mind,  
***Spirit***



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**EXCELLENCE**  
 in the 21st Century



# Who We Are & What We Do

## CHAPLAINS

- Work at Veterans Affairs Medical Centers, Domicilaries, and VA CLC's and Nursing homes throughout the United States.
  - Provide a complete religious ministry to Veteran patients. They address religious, spiritual, moral and ethical problems of the patient.
  - Care for the newly admitted, pre-and post-operative patients, the critically ill, and families concerned.
  - Work closely with medical center staff, and also with individuals and groups in the neighboring community.
  - Work with people of all faiths.
  - Chaplains provide a complete religious ministry to patients and their families.
  - This ministry includes all aspects of pastoral care. A Chaplain may counsel, preach, lead worship and ordinance, and educate.
  - Chaplains work with other professionals as part of a health care team. Together they plan and carry out patient care.
  - Chaplains develop ties with churches and organizations in the neighboring community. These ties support the medical center mission.
- Chaplains respond to emergency (life or death) calls from patients and family members.
  - A Chaplain's work emphasizes and requires a team approach to pastoral care.
  - A Chaplain is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days per year, to handle any emergency, however, it may require a short wait for the Chaplain to respond outside of normal duty hours. Requests for the Chaplain should be made through the Chaplains on duty during normal business hours or the [\*Chaplain On Call List\*](#) after hours.
  - A Chaplain is on duty daily, normally from 7:30 am until 4:00 pm except holidays.



## PRAYERS FOR THE DAY

### PRAYER OF HOPE:

O God, when hopelessness threatens to engulf me, buy me with your hope. Let me look to the future that is awaiting me with anticipation, knowing that you are with me and will be with me at every juncture. Even if physical healing is not possible, I ask for spiritual and relational healing with you and others. Amen.

### GOD'S WATCHFULNESS:

Watch, dear God, with those who wake or watch, or weep tonight, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend your sick ones; rest your weary ones; bless your dying ones; soothe you suffering ones; shield your joyous ones; and all for your Love's sake. Amen.

### IN TIME OF SICKNESS:

Teach me the art of patience while I am well, and give me the use of it when I am sick. In that day either lighten my burden or strengthen my back. In my health, so often I have discovered my weakness of presuming on my own strength. Make me to be strong in my sickness when I rely solely on your assistance and you. Amen.